Claims

- Method for communication in a radio communications system, comprising network-side devices (APS1, APS2, ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) and mobile stations (MS), in which a message (ADD) of a mobile station (MS) is received by network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E), subsequently a user data message (DATA) is transmitted via a plurality of network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) to the mobile station (MS), with the networkside antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) which belong to the plurality of network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) depending on which network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) have received the message (ADD) of the mobile station (MS), characterized in that a signaling message (ADR), which requests the mobile station (MS) to transmit a response message (ADD) is transmitted via at least one network-side antenna (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) to the mobile station (MS), and the message (ADD) received on the network side is a response message (ADD) sent in response to the receipt of a signaling message (ADR).
- 2. Method in accordance with claim 1, characterized in that, the signaling message (ADR) is sent at regular first intervals.
- 3. Method in accordance with one of the claims 1 to 2, characterized in that, the signaling message (ADR) is transmitted before the transmission of the user data message (DATA) to the mobile station (MS) under the condition that a specific second

period of time has elapsed since the last transmission of a message of the same type as the signaling message (ADR).

- 4. Method in accordance with one of the claims 1 to 3, characterized in that, the signaling message (ADR) is transmitted via all networkside antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) of one or more radio cells (FZ1, FZ2) of the radio communications system or via all network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) of the radio communications system.
- 5. Method in accordance with one of the claims 1 to 4, characterized in that, the plurality of network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) belong to same radio cell (FZ1, FZ2) of the radio communications system, or at least some of the network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) of the plurality of network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) belong to different radio cells (FZ1, FZ2) of the radio communications system.
- 6. Method in accordance with one of the claims 1 to 5, characterized in that, the signaling message (ADR) comprises identification information of the relevant radio cell (FZ1, FZ2), about the network-side antenna (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) or antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) via which it is transmitted, and the response message (ADD, ACK) comprises identification information of that radio cell or radio cells (FZ1, FZ2), from the network-side antenna or antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) from which the mobile station (MS) has received the signaling message (ADR).

7. Network-side device (APS1) in a radio communications system,

with means (RECEIVE) for receiving via network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) a message (ADD) of a mobile station (MS) or for receiving information about the receipt of a message (ADD) received via network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E), with the message (ADD) received on the network side being a response message (ADD) transmitted on receipt of at least one signaling message (ADR) received at a network-side antenna (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) to the mobile station (MS) which requests the mobile station (MS) to send a response message (ADD),

with means (INSTRUCT) for arranging that a user data message (DATA) is transmitted over a plurality of networkside antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) to the mobile station (MS),

with means (DECIDE) for deciding whether network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) belong to the plurality of network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) depending on which network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) have received the message (ADD) of the mobile station (MS).

8. Computer program product for a network-side device (APS1) in a radio communications system, with means for receiving information about the receipt of a message (ADD) received via network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) of a mobile station (MS), with the message (ADD) received on the network side being a response message (ADD) transmitted on receipt of at least one signaling message (ADR) received at a network-side antenna (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) to the mobile station (MS) which requests the mobile station (MS) to send

a response message (ADD),

with means for defining that a user data message (DATA) will be transmitted via a plurality of network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) to the mobile station (MS),

with means for deciding whether network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) belong to the plurality of network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E), depending on which network-side antennas (ANT-A, ANT-B, ANT-C, ANT-D, ANT-E) have received the message (MESSAGE; ADD, ACK) of the mobile station (MS).